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1. **Amendments to the Claims:**

1-51. Cancelled.

52. (Currently Amended) A system for locating a user of a wireless communications system wherein the wireless communications system has a central computer connected to one or more access points which communicate wirelessly with a badge associated with a user, the system comprising:

5 a badge having a microphone that accepts a voice-based locate command;
means for determining, based on the voice-based locate command, the current access point being used for communications by the badge of the user being located; and
means for generating a location indicator for the user wherein the location indicator is the name and location of the access point currently being used by the user.

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53. (Currently Amended) A method for locating a user of a wireless communications system wherein the wireless communications system has a central computer connected to one or more access points which communicate wirelessly with a badge associated with a user, the method comprising:

15 receiving a voice command request to locate a user of the wireless communications system;
determining the access point currently being used for communications by the badge of the user based on the voice command;
generating a location indicator for the user wherein the location indicator is the name and
20 location of the access point being used by the user.

54. (Currently Amended) A system for locating a member of a group of a wireless communications system wherein the wireless communications system has a central computer connected to one or more access points which communicate wirelessly with one or more badges associated with one or more members of the group, the system comprising:

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means for receiving a voice command to locate a member of a group;

means for determining, based on the voice command, the current access point(s) being used for communications by the badge(s) of the one or more members of the group specified by a group location request; and

5 means for generating a location indicator for the member in the group wherein the location indicator is the name and location of the access point currently being used by the member of the particular group.

55. (Currently Amended) A method for locating a member of a group of a wireless
10 communications system wherein the wireless communications system has a central computer
 connected to one or more access points which communicate wirelessly with one or more badges
 associated with one or more members of the group , the method comprising:

 receiving a voice command request to locate a member of a group of the wireless
 communications system;

15 determining, based on the voice command, the current access point(s) being used for
 communications by the badge(s) of the one or more members of the group specified by a group
 location request;

 generating a location indicator for the members in the group wherein the location
 indicator is the name and location of the access point currently being used by the members of the
20 group.

56. Cancelled.

57. (New) The system of claim 54, wherein the voice command to locate a member
 of a group further comprises a voice command to locate a member of a group having a particular
 organizational structure role.

25 58. (New) The method of claim 55, wherein the voice command to locate a member
 of a group further comprises a voice command to locate a member of a group having a particular
 organizational structure role.

59. (New) The system of claim 52, wherein the name of the access point further
 comprises one of a building name, a floor name and a functional area name.

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60. (New) The method of claim 53, wherein the name of the access point further comprises one of a building name, a floor name and a functional area name.

61. (New) The system of claim 54, wherein the name of the access point further comprises one of a building name, a floor name and a functional area name.

5 62. (New) The method of claim 55, wherein the name of the access point further comprises one of a building name, a floor name and a functional area name.

10 63. (New) A system for locating a member of a group of a wireless communications system wherein the wireless communications system has a central computer connected to one or more access points which communicate wirelessly with one or more badges associated with one or more members of the group, the system comprising:

means for receiving a voice command to locate a member of a group wherein the one or more members of the group have a particular organizational structure role;

15 means for determining, based on the voice command, a current access point being used for communications by a badge of a member of the group that has the particular organizational structure role that is closest to a user that issued the voice command; and

means for generating a location indicator for the closest member in the group wherein the location indicator is the name and location of the access point currently being used by the member of the particular group.

20 64. (New) A method for locating a member of a group of a wireless communications system wherein the wireless communications system has a central computer connected to one or more access points which communicate wirelessly with one or more badges associated with one or more members of the group , the method comprising:

25 receiving a voice command to locate a member of a group of the wireless communications system wherein the one or more members of the group have a particular organizational structure role;

determining, based on the voice command, a current access point being used for communications by a badge of a member of the group that has the particular organizational structure role that is closest to a user that issued the voice command; and

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generating a location indicator for the members in the group wherein the location indicator is the name and location of the access point currently being used by the member of the group.

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